

Subject: Social Studies Grade Level: 8 ^h Unit Title: Geography,	Timeline Needed for Completion: 5 Days Month: August
Big Idea/ Theme: Understanding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography 	
Essential Standards 8.G.1 Understand the geographic factors such as physical characteristics of the land, place and location that influenced North Carolina and the United states 8.G.1.1 Explain how location and place affect opportunities and challenges for the movement of people, goods, and ideas in North Carolina and United States. 8.G.1.2 Understand the physical features, culture, political organization and ethic make-up of regions in North Carolina and the United States.	Essential Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where are prominent US states and features? What important geographic characteristics exist in North Carolina? How do I organize geographical data to create a map, chart, or table? How do the five themes apply to North Carolina and the Unites States?
Essential Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and utilize parts of a map (title, key/legend, compass, scale) Locate a place using latitude and longitude Recognize and identify major landforms and oceans in North Carolina and the United States Identify different physical features Draw conclusions from maps, charts and geographic data 	Assessment Tasks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects, journals, foldables, notes Map skills worksheets Create graph paper pictures using latitude & longitude grid Absolute location quiz. Use white boards and desk maps to play classroom review games (ie. cardinal

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create maps and charts on North Carolina and the United States • Recall and explain the 5 TOG • Classify North Carolina and the United States characteristics according to the 5 TOG. • Differentiate between human and physical characteristics • Differentiate between natural, human and capital resources 	<p>directions, countries, capitals, absolute location, etc).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classify real world examples according to its theme of geography. • Play a landform Jeopardy game. • Design a map. Include a specific number of landforms, compute the proper scale for your poster board and find the appropriate coordinates to place your landmarks. Include a written narrative describing it all. • Geocaching
<p>Vocabulary</p>	